GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

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SUMMER RUSH OF PASSENGERS
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have made any assessment of extra rush of passenger traffic during summer period ;

(b) if so, the number of such passengers increased during each of the last three years; (c) the number of additional trains provided to meet the extra rush of passengers during the said period;

(d) the number of passengers likely to be increased during the coming summer period; and

(e) the arrangements made by the Government to meet the extra rush of passengers during the current summer period ?.

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI DIGVIJAY SINGH)

(a): Yes, Sir.

(b): A comparative increase in the total number of passengers booked during the peak summer month - June in comparison to the lean month -February, during the last three years is as under:-

Year	Increase	Percentage increase
	(Figures in millions)	
1998	47.26	13.89
1999	42.34	12.29
2000	29.64	7.79

(c): The number of additional trains run to meet the extra rush during the summer period in the last three years is as under:-

Year	No of Trains
1998	1959
1999	2272
2000	2038

(d): During the present summer, the additional summer specials planned to run and coaches to be augmented are expected to cater to the demand of 61 lakhs additional passengers approximately on all classes together.

(e): During the current year, 2050 Summer Special Trains have been planned on 46 different routes. Besides, load of 100 trains will also be augmented to cater to extra rush of traffic.